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~~FURTHER ON SOVIET EXPLOSION OF 23 AUGUST 1953~~

*As agreed as follows:*

Evidence is not available on which to base conclusions beyond those contained in the statement of 1 September 1953. Additional statements will be prepared when further significant information is developed. The Intelligence Advisory Committee concurs in the interpretation of existing directives as follows:

(a) The operation of DCID 11/1 with respect to the fact of the occurrence of the Soviet explosion of 23 August 1953 is completed.

(b) As additional information and conclusions are derived from the analysis of intelligence concerning this event, the dissemination of information should continue to be on a strict "need-to-know" basis and be limited to the smallest group consistent with national defense and planning.

(c) Insofar as practicable, major conclusions as to the nature, character and magnitude of the test should be reached on a coordinated basis.

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